

DWP About changing Disability Living Allowance

About the questions

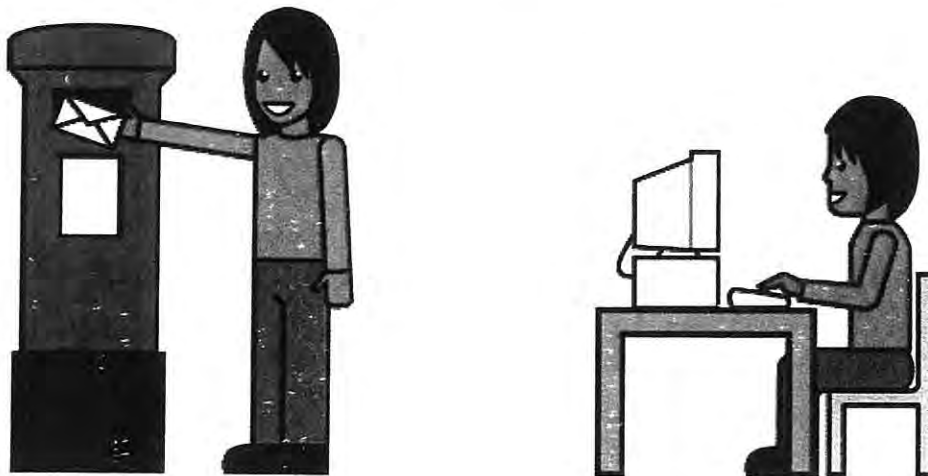
On the next few pages there are questions that we would like you to give us your answers to.

This **consultation** starts on 6 December 2010 and will end on 14 February 2011.

Send your replies to

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And finally, thank you

Thank you for taking the time to look at this booklet and taking part in the **consultation**.

Question 3

What extra things do disabled people need to spend money on?

They might need extra clothes, maybe
due to spills, incontinence. Special
fitted shoes - Continence pads, continence
wipes, modified vehicles.

Question 4

The new benefit will have 2 amounts for each of the 2 parts of the benefit. Do you think this will make the benefit easier to understand and also easier for us to run? Yes.

Do you think just having the 2 amounts for each part will cause any problems?

It will be easier for the carers to
understand.

Question 7

How can we make sure that the new benefit takes into account the way a person's health condition can change?

The situation can be reviewed - write to doctors for a report to make sure the persons getting the correct amount of benefit

Question 8

When a person makes a claim to the new benefit, should we take account of any aids or adaptations that they use?

What aids and adaptations should we take into account?

Should we only take aids and adaptations into account if the person already uses them? Or should we take aids and adaptations into account that a person could use and get hold of easily?

yes we should take into account what aids and adaptations they need, like wheelchairs hoists, we should take aids and adaptations into account if people are using them and promotes independence.

Question 11

An important part of the new benefit may be talking face to face with an independent person about how well you can do the things you need to do to take part in everyday life.

What good things and bad things may this bring?

Is there any time when it would not be right to say that a person had to meet an independent person face to face, either in the person's own home or somewhere else?

Good things are you can tell the person
face to face and put across your points
of view - Bad things it may feel uncomfortable
talking to someone you don't know.

Question 14

What types of help and advice are people who will ask for the new benefit likely to need?

Would it help if we told people to get help and advice and where to get it from?

Need help to complete the forms

Question 15

How do disabled people pay for their aids and adaptations at the moment?

Should disabled people be allowed to use the new benefit to pay for a one-off cost?

Some people get help from the council
to pay for aids, but need more help
to find out how to get help with
these. If assessed as needing aids they
should get help to pay for them.

Question 18

What information about the disabled person could we share with other services or government departments to stop the disabled person having to tell lots of people the same thing?

All the information that is given on the DLA forms could be shared to stop having to repeat over and over giving the same information.